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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For : METHOD OF MANUFACTURING PIPE BODY AND  
PIPE BODY MANUFACTURED BY THE METHOD

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Please amend the above-identified divisional application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.